

# **U.S. Lodging Industry 2018**

Late Or New Cycle?
SWOT Analysis



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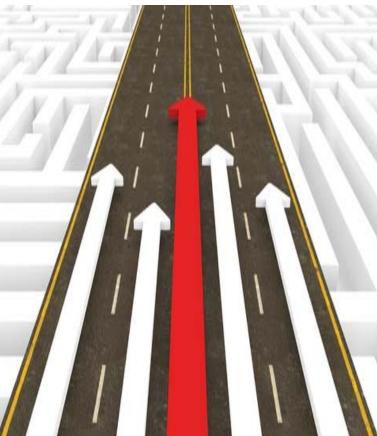
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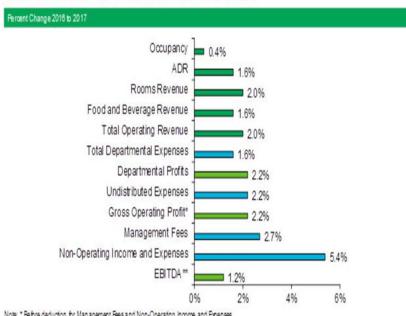


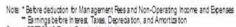


- Third consecutive year of industry record rooms revenue operating metrics
- U.S. hotels operating at high level of efficiency



#### 2018 TRENDS®IN THE HOTEL INDUSTRY





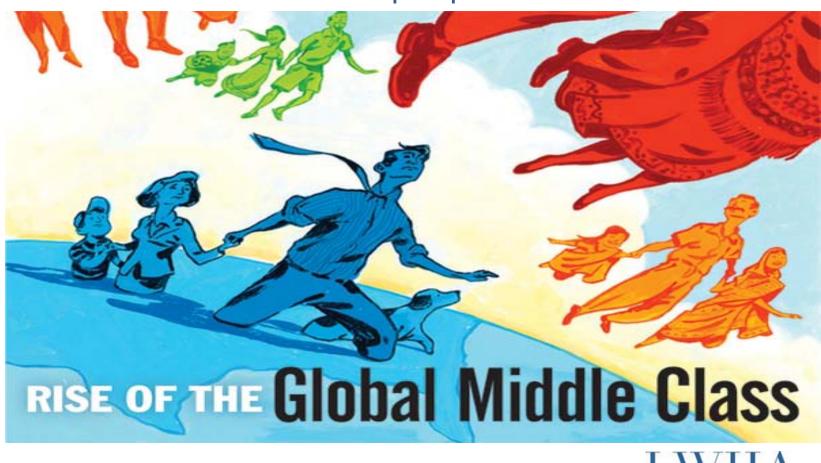
Source: CBRE 2018 Trends® in the Hotel Industry





#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Strength

As middle-class income brackets grow internationally, global travel is becoming accessible to millions more people and business











- USA: Beacon for freedom, safety, and security
  - Increasing U.S. GDP
  - Record U.S. stock market metrics
- U.S. consumer confidence highest in 17 years





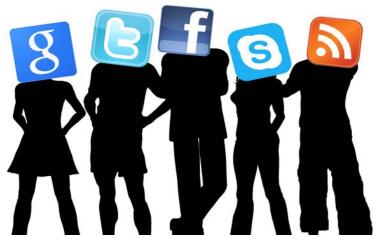






#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Strengths

- Nation's demographic trends boosting demand for experiences over physical goods
  - All hotel demand segments are growing













Nationwide new hotel supply is not devastating

Banks tighten construction lending standards

Building labor shortage









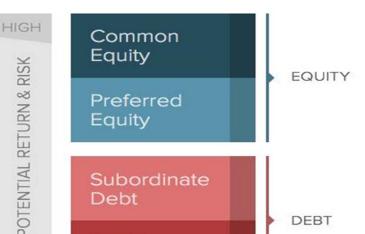


### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Strengths

- Abundant availability of debt and equity
- Continued low interest and cap rate environment
  - Inbound overseas capital chasing yield

#### THE CAPITAL STACK





Subordinate

Debt

Senior Debt











LOW



DEBT



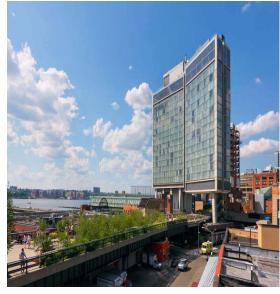




### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Strength

#### Continued strong asset pricing



















#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Strength

#### Hotels are durable brick and mortar businesses





#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis-Weaknesses

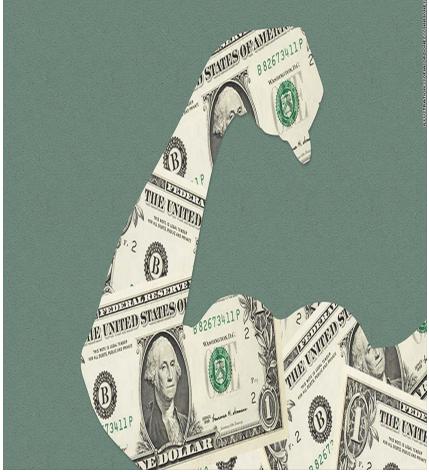
- Fear of economic recession never far away
  - Strong (though softening) U.S. Dollar















- U.S. travel ban efforts create negative postures
   & restrictions
- Fewer international tourists are visiting the U.S.







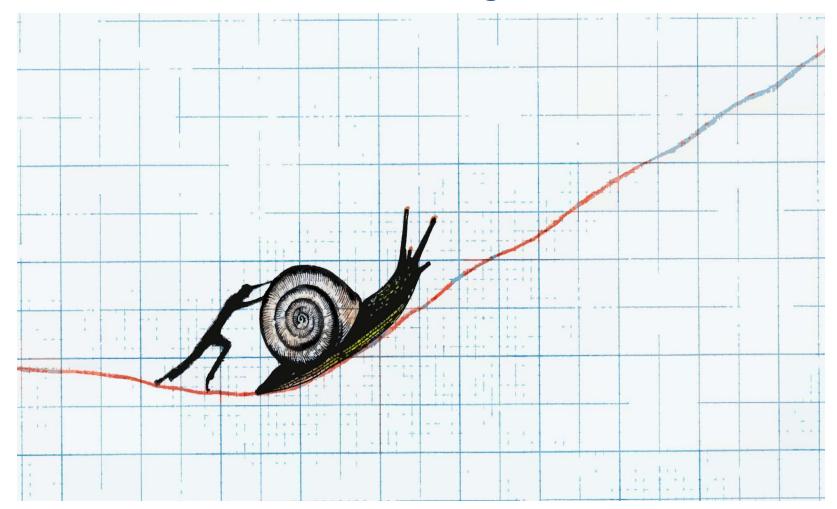






### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Weakness

#### Slow RevPAR growth







# U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Weakness

#### More hotel brands – REALLY?









BY HARD ROCK









AN IHG HOTEL





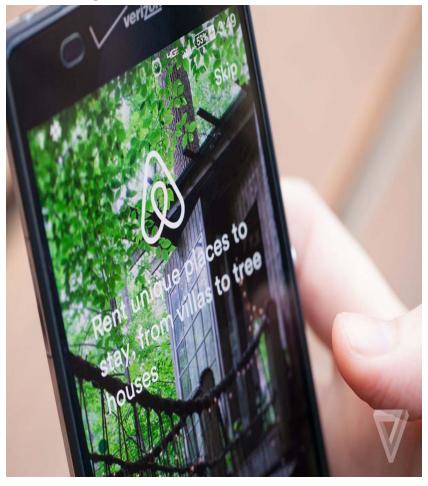




#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis-Weaknesses

- Airbnb now impacting business travel
  - Niido powered by Airbnb







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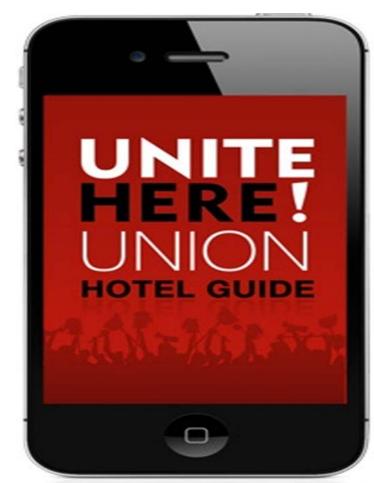
#### OTA's now dominate consumer point of entry





#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis-Weaknesses

- Industry labor shortage
- Strong influence of labor unions













#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis-Weaknesses

- Rising tax burdens
- Increasing property insurance rates











## Brands pushing standards updates















#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Threats

#### Rising interest & capitalization rates









#### U.S. Hotel Industry SWOT Analysis- Threats

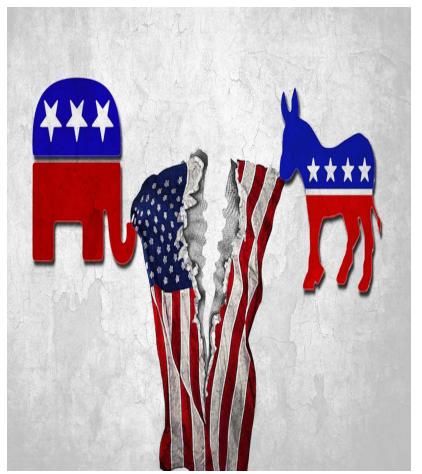
- Anti-globalization, populist sentiments
  - Domestic political polarization















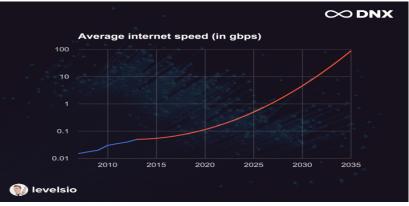
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#### Technology:

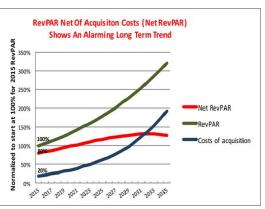
- Diminishing importance of physical location
  - Redefining social interaction
    - Enemy of ADR growth
- Reputation management: real time damage control





















- Retailers and others entering the sector
  - Rise of hostels



















- Terrorism
- Geopolitical turbulence reaching a tipping point
  - Cyber crime
  - Security challenges















- NASA's supersonic transport
  - Autonomous vehicles
    - Hyperloop





















- Climatic events
- Rising sea levels









- Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017
- Industry well positioned to react to any inflation











- 2018 corporate hotel rate negotiation equilibrium
  - Late cancellation fees
  - Booking direct campaigns
- Reduction of group intermediary commission rates















- Acquisition & renovation of +/-35 year old full service hotels
  - Redevelopment & repositioning of 1950/60's motels
- Physically and/or functionally obsolete hotels on excellent sites/locations

















Expansion of modular hotel construction

Sustainability and Eco-Friendly Hotel Initiatives















#### Develop co-working spaces within hotels















Technological advances = increased operating





















### Bleisure is becoming more common





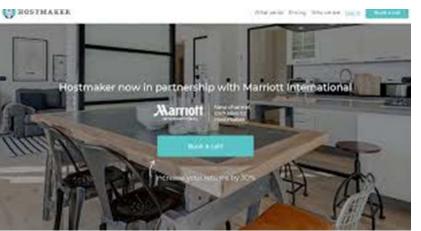






- Increased Airbnb regulation
- Hotel lobbies are the perfect antidote to Airbnb
  - Hotel industry entering homesharing space













- Artificial intelligence: virtual concierge chatbots
  - RoboButlers
  - Neuro-Dreaming choose your own dream
    - Airport transfers RoboFlying cars













- Multi-brand facilities
- Secondary and tertiary markets













Last year, revenue per available room at the 26th - 50th largest U.S. hotel markets rose 4.3% compared to 2.4% growth rate for the 25 largest markets.







#### Mergers & Acquisitions and spinoffs









Marriott Vacations Worldwide to Acquire ILG



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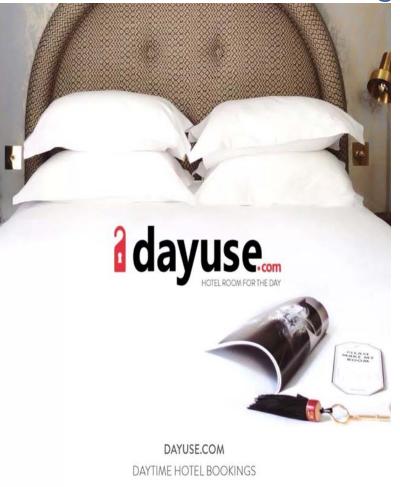
On demand model

Unbundling hotel services

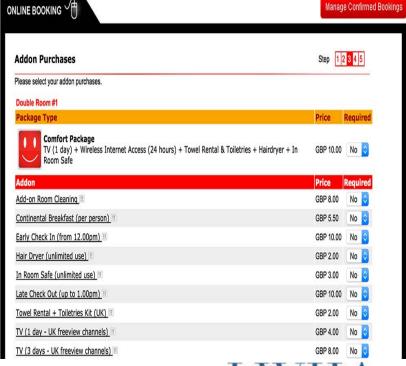












- Expansion of hotel branding to yachts and jets
  - Luxury space hotel looks to launch







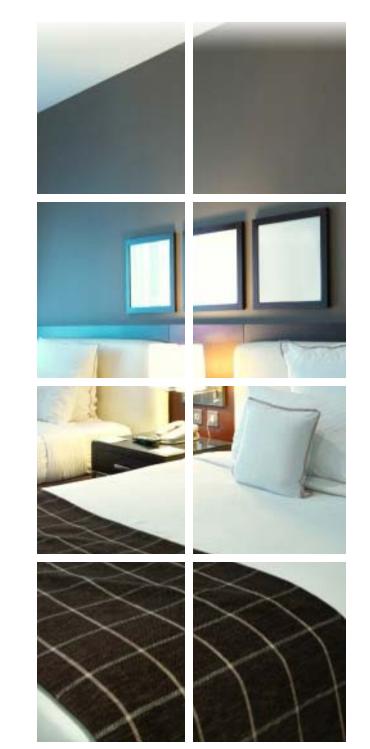




# Final Thought: Cautious Optimism







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